IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Flautt et al. : Group Art Unit: 1713

Serial No.: 10/055,154 : Examiner: Dr. K. C. Egwim

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For: SUPERABSORBENT WATER-: RESISTANT COATINGS FOR FIBER:

REINFORCED ARTICLES :

PRELIMINARYAMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the specification as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the remarks below.